

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Rewrite paragraphs [0015] and [0025] as set forth below:

a1 [0015] The system of the present invention employs a float operated vent valve mounted in the top of the fuel tank with the vent valve outlet connected through a vent line to a storage canister which is adapted for purging and vapor flow into the air inlet of an engine upon engine startup. In the present system, the filler neck of the tank has the upper end enlarged to receive a fuel filler nozzle therein and includes a seal for sealing about the nozzle upon insertion. A recirculation line is connected from the filler neck at a location downstream of the nozzle seal to the vapor line connected to the canister. **An additional liquid seal is formed downstream of the nozzle seal by fuel discharging from the nozzle.** Thus, during refueling some of the vapor flowing through the float operated vent valve to the canister is recirculated to the fuel filler neck to facilitate flow of the liquid fuel into the tank and minimize the flow to the canister, thereby reducing the quantity of the fuel flow to storage canister during refueling.

a2 [0025] Upon insertion of the filler nozzle 28 into the filler tube upper end 26 and, smaller diameter neck 24, and upon discharge of fuel from nozzle 28, a liquid seal is created between nozzle 28 and the inner periphery of neck **28 24**. This liquid seal entrains recirculated vapor from tube 50 into the tank. It will be understood that the recirculated vapor in tube 50 replaces the amount of air entering the filler neck 24 except for leakage past the mechanical seal 32.

Rewrite the abstract as set forth below:

a3 A fuel tank vapor vent system for a motor vehicle having a float operated vent valve in the tank top for permitting fuel vapor flow through a vapor conduit to a remote storage canister. A filler nozzle seal in the tank filler neck seals about the nozzle during refueling. A recirculation line is connected to the filler neck below the nozzle seal and also to the vapor conduit to the canister. **A liquid seal is formed in the filler neck downstream of the nozzle seal by liquid discharge from the nozzle.** Fuel flow in the filler neck during refueling effects recirculation of some of the vapor flowing to the canister and minimizes the size of canister required.